

# 2014 Fall Regents Committee Meeting

Albuquerque, NM

September 11, 2014

Chair Glen Brewster

## Regents Charge

To work for the development and promotion of the Society within each region. To provide regional information and serve as liaisons with the Central Office. To communicate regularly with chapters and Sponsors in the region. To provide information and encouragement to chapters. To encourage reactivation of inactive chapters and formation of new chapters. To encourage involvement in Society opportunities and activities. To serve on standing committees

## Meeting Minutes

1. We reviewed the process for evaluating the Outstanding Chapter Award applications, including rereading the instructions to the applicants from the website. Lexey Bartlett volunteered to draft a potential rubric for use in evaluating the applications for this year.
2. We discussed ways to communicate with chapter Sponsors to encourage chapter activity (including but not limited to convention participation), as well as ongoing Regents activities. These discussions led to several suggestions for additions to the Regents Handbook.
3. The Regents had reviewed the most recent revisions to the Regents Handbook—Fall 2014, sent out earlier. Glen Brewster said that he would take the suggestions for additions into account when revising once more before sending the handbook to Deb Seyler for posting on the Society website for use by current and future Regents.
4. We discussed Ideas for the Regents luncheon and workshops for Faculty Sponsors at the 2015 Spring convention, including grouping sponsors by region at the luncheon and “table topics” and workshops on co-sponsorship and working with other chapters at the Sponsor workshops. Glen noted that he would be working with the convention chair and planners about these events in the coming months

We continued the practice, begun at the 2014 Spring Board Meetings, of having a joint meeting between the Regents and Student Leadership Committee. The students shared with the Regents their ideas for activities at the Convention, including a wrist band given to conference attendees using the colors for identifying regions. The student leaders also described their ideas about modifying the practice from the 2014 Spring Board Meeting of having the student leaders leave the board meeting to participate in the registration process. The students wanted several student leaders to be present for all of the board meetings, with a staggered schedule to allow for some to attend (particularly during discussions of the committees on which individual students served) while others were at the registration tables.

The Regents endorsed the student proposal for this level of participation at the Board Meetings, recognizing the enormous value of having the students’ perspectives and voices during the discussions of the policies and vision of the Society, and will be eager to hear about the details of this plan.

The Regents thanked the student leaders for their impressive work since the Spring Board Meetings, and also thanked Deb for her guidance and support.

(Revised September 13, 2014)